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2. (C) NEA - GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION IN KABUL
(GDS 7/23/86)

(C) IN AN APPARENT MOVE TO CONCENTRATE MORE POWER IN DABRAK KARNAL'S HANDS, THE KABUL REGIME IS BEING RE-ORGANIZED. THE CHANGES, RATIFIED AT A JULY 19 CABINET MEETING, GIVE THE PRIME MINISTER AND LEADER OF THE PARCHANISTS CONTROL OF SEVERAL IMPORTANT AREAS INCLUDING LABOR AND WELFARE MATTERS AND THE TEACHING OF ISLAM. PERHAPS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGE, HOWEVER, TRANSFERS RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL PROVINCIAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE.

(C) THE REORGANIZATION IS UNDOUBTEDLY RELATED TO THE CONTINUED FEUDING BETWEEN PARCHAN AND KHALS FACTIONS OF THE RULING PARTY. IN PAST MONTHS A SERIES OF LOW AND MIDDLE LEVEL ASSASSINATIONS HAVE MARKED RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS IN KABUL, AND RECENTLY THE LEVEL OF VIOLENCE AS WELL AS THE RANKS OF THOSE INVOLVED HAS ESCALATED. THE MORE NUMEROUS KHALS ARE APPARENTLY BEING OUTHANEUVERED BY KARNAL'S PARCHANISTS; PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT INTERIOR MINISTER GOLABZOI, UNDOUBTEDLY ONE OF THE LOSERS IN THE REORGANIZATION AND ONE OF THE MOST PROMINENT KHALS IN THE CABINET, MAY HAVE BEEN ARRESTED.